

YOUR START IN GIESSEN

Accommodations before Arriving in Germany

- Apply for an apartment or a shared flat (a WG-room) at the **Studentenwerk Giessen** and search in parallel for accommodation from private landlords as the waiting times for a student room are long. Alternatively, look for private accommodation only.

Accommodations after Arriving in Germany

- Ask the landlord to sign the confirmation of tenancy [**Wohnungsgeberbescheinigung**]!
- Send the registrar's office at JLU your German address via email to **international.admission@admin.uni-giessen.de** in order to receive your student ID card. Please note that the student ID card can only be mailed to a German address.

City Hall

- Book a registration appointment [**Wohnungsanmeldung**] at the city hall [**Stadtbüro**] [via this link](#).
Address: Berliner Platz 1, 35390 Giessen
- If you do not live in Giessen, please register in the city where you live.
- You will need your **passport/identity card** and confirmation of tenancy, and when applicable, your **residence permit [Aufenthaltstitel]** and **previous certificate of registration [Meldebestätigung]** for the registration.
- You will receive your certificate of registration right away.
- After 7-10 working days, you will receive a letter with your personal 11-digit **tax identification number [Steuer-ID aka. Persönliche Identifikationsnummer]** --> keep it safe!

Bank

- If you do not already have a German bank account, do open one here at a German bank.
- Usually, you will need the following documents for **opening an account [Kontoeröffnung]**: **certificate of registration, Steuer-ID, passport/identity card, and residence permit** (when applicable).
- If you have a blocked account and would like to release the funds in it, you will need a confirmation from the Immigration Authorities [**Ausländerbehörde**].
- Some banks require you to book an appointment for the account opening. Check in with them beforehand!
- Bring your student ID in order to receive some benefits for opening a bank account, e.g. free account.

Immigration Authorities

- Contact the Immigration Authorities (Ausländerbehörde) via email **auslaenderbehoerde@giessen.de** or telephone **0641 306-2280** for your registration.
- The Immigration Authorities will send you more information on the required documents via post, or offer an appointment to you.
- If you do not live in Giessen, contact the Immigration Authorities in the city where you live.

!! Only for
non-EU
Students!!

The End!

- You made it!
- Enjoy your time in Giessen ☺
- Should you have further inquiries, please contact us via: **international.students@uni-giessen.de**